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In addition, the Examiner states that "the assignee has not established its ownership interest in the patent, in order to support the action under 37 CFR § 3.73(b)." Specifically the Examiner points out that the the "REISSUE APPLICATION BY THE INVENTOR, OFFER TO SURRENDER PATENT" filed on March 14, 2000 fails to give the reel/frame number of the assignment. The Applicants thank the Examiner for bringing this to their attention. Attached is a copy of the Assignment that establishes the ownership interest for this reissue application, which is in the process of being recorded with the Patent Office.

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